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A FEW DAYS IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

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In the summer of 1914 I had the opportunity of spending a few days in Newfoundland, which I had long wished to do, for I had heard enough about its beauty and the peculiarities of its fauna and flora to arouse within me a strong desire to see some of these things for myself.

Unfortunately I had but five-days to spend on the island and two of these were cold and wet, so that the chief result of my trip was a greatly increased desire to go there again.

My main object was to collect and observe the dragonflies, particularly of the genus *Somatochlora*, the species of which are nearly all inhabitants of the far north, and are consequently less known than those of any other North American genus of the order Odonata. A collection of dragonflies made by Dr. D. A. Atkinson at the Bay of Islands and Grand Lake, Nfd., and recorded by Mr. E. B. Williamson (*Ent. News*, XVII, 1906, pp. 133-139) was so rich in species of this genus that I had little doubt that I could obtain a good series of them even in a few days. So I planned to go at once to the Bay of Islands and spend there the few days that I had at my disposal.

Leaving North Sydney on the night of June 24th, I arrived at five o'clock on the following morning at Port aux Basques on the southwestern corner of Newfoundland, and immediately boarded the train which was to take me to my destination, Humbermouth, on the Bay of Islands, about 120 miles up the west coast. (I might almost have said "embarked" on this train, for the trip was more like a rough sea voyage than a railway journey.)

Port aux Basques is a quaint little fishing village, and I longed to spend a day there, but could not afford the time. The low, rounded, treeless hills, enveloped in mist, the stunted vegetation